

**TOWN OF SOMERS  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, May 18, 2017  
6:00pm  
Selectmen's Conference Room**

**Call to Order:** First Selectman Bud Knorr called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

**Members Present:** First Selectman Bud Knorr, Selectman Kathy Devlin also in attendance CFO Michael Marinaccio, Assistant Finance Director Brian Wissinger and several interested residents.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** All Members participated in the pledge of Allegiance.

**Opportunity to Add Agenda Items:**

The Board of Selectman had brief discussion regarding the goals and objectives of the Strategic Bonding Committee.

*Mrs. Devlin would like the Board to meet with Ann Logan with regards to Ordinances. Ms. LaFleur will follow up with Ann Logan.*

**2017 Robert B. Percoski Community Service Award:**

The Board received a letter from Human Services Director Deanna Schuetz recommending Pat Bachetti to be the recipient of the 2017 Robert B. Percoski Community Service Award.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the recommendation to honor Pat Bachetti with the 2017 Robert B. Percoski Community Service Award, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**2017 Adolph P. Anderson Quality Employee Award:**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion recommending Deanna Schuetz be honored with the 2017 Adolph P. Anderson Quality Employee Award, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Discussion of Proposed Gas Expansion/Meeting Scheduled for May 19, 2017:** Mr. Knorr explained that he was asked to participate as the First Selectman and as one of the members of the Board of Directors. The Board briefly discussed the potential of a gas line coming through Somers.

**Discussion Regarding Recent State Budget Cuts:** CFO Michael Marinaccio briefly explained the Recent State Budget cuts

**Memorial Day Program at High School:** First Selectman Bud Knorr announced that the Board of Selectmen will be attending the Memorial Day Program at the High School on May 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am at the Somers High School.

**Discussion and Vote on Cancelling the Second Amendment to the Resident Trooper Contract for period May 12, 2017 through June 30, 2017.**

The Board briefly discussed and voted on the most recent amendment to the State Trooper Contract.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to Cancel the Second Amendment to the Resident Trooper Contract for period May 12, 2017 through June 30, 2017, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve First Selectman Bud Knorr to sign the cancellation of the Second Amendment to the State Trooper Contract, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Resolution to remove Lisa Pellegrini from bank accounts:**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the Resolution to authorize CFO Michael Marinaccio and the Assistant Finance Director Brian Wissinger to act on behalf of the Town with regards to authorizing signatures all banking and investments; And to remove former First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini from all and any bank accounts and investments, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Approval of Leasing Company for CIP:**

Mr. Wissinger explained that the Town received quotes from several different leasing companies. Mr. Wissinger is requesting from the Selectmen approval to move forward with Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. Mr. Wissinger commented that this has been vetted through CIP and approved.

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the request to use Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. for the Recreation Van, Town Hall Van, Fire Service Truck and Dump truck with plow, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Approval of New Opening/Closing Rates for Cemetery:**

Mr. Marinaccio explained any new rates for any department require the approval of the Board of Selectmen. Once the new rates approved they will go out on the website and Mr. Wissinger will contact the local funeral homes.

*Mr. Knorr made a motion to approve the new rates for opening and closing grave sites, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. The motion passed.*

**Tax Sale Update:**

CFO Michael Marinaccio gave a brief update on the status of the Tax Sale.

**Town Website and Social Media Discussion:**

Ms. LaFleur explained that the Town is coming out with a new APP; Town residents can sign up for both emails and alerts. There will be a press release going out to the Journal Inquirer and it will also be noted on the website and Facebook.

**Operations Director Promotion:**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to promote Kim LaFleur to Operations Director, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Authorization of Scheduled Payments:**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$440,478.29 , seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Approval of Minutes:**

*Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the minutes of 5/2/17 with the following correction; spelling of Dan Fraro's name, seconded by Mr. Knorr. The motion passed.*

**Adjournment:**

*Mr. Knorr made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 7:06, seconded by Mrs. Devlin. The motion passed.*

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

*Minutes are not official until accepted at a subsequent meeting.*